COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

SOUTH CENTRAL RURAL TELEPHONE)
COOPERATIVE CORPORATION, INC.,)
GLASGOW, KENTUCKY 42141)
) CASE No. 8856
1. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO)
CONSTRUCT ADDITIONAL TELEPHONE)
LINES AND OTHER FACILITIES	,)

ORDER

On June 3, 1983, South Central Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc., ("South Central Rural") filed with the Commission its application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct additional facilities.

Discussion

South Central Rural, a Rural Electrification Administration ("REA") borrower utility, serves subscribers in a 16-exchange system located in south central Kentucky. The proposed construction will take place in the Bonnieville, Buffalo, Canmer, and Magnolia exchanges, which are located in parts of Larue, Nelson, Taylor, Green, and Hart counties.

South Central Rural proposes to borrow \$5,418,000 from REA at an interest rate of 5 percent per annum to be repaid over a 35-year period. The proceeds of the loan will be used to finish South Central Rural's ongoing one-party upgrade program in the exchanges listed for 3,418 existing and planned subscribers.

Using funds from previous loans, residents in Glasgow, Munfordville, Fountain Run, Gamaliel, Edmonton, Horse Cave, Lucas, Summer Shade, Temple Hill, Hiseville, Cave City, and Center have been, or are in the process of being, converted to one-party service.

Findings and Order

The Commission, having considered the application and evidence of record and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that:

- (1) A public hearing is not required in this matter, since questions related to the proposed construction program have been addressed in the written record and South Central Rural has stated affirmatively that the approval sought herein will not result in a request for a rate adjustment; and
- (2) Public convenience and necessity require that such construction and system improvements as are proposed in the application and record be performed and that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that South Central Rural be and it hereby is granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to proceed with the proposed construction as set forth in the application and record.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 3rd day of August, 1983.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Katherine Randall Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary